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TO Deputy Director (Administration)

DATE: 5 March 1952

FROM : Chief, Procurement & Supply Office

SUBJECT: Department of the Army Letter of 29 February 1952, File G4/D5-

A-50 (S.F.)

- 1. There is forwarded herewith the subject D/A letter which takes exception to the fact that the letter of 12 February 1952 emanating from OPC was not submitted in accordance with the procedure established between CIA and D/A. Since this action is a matter beyond the purview of this Office it is forwarded to you for such action as you deem appropirate.
- 2. Attention is invited to the fact that similar deviations from established procedure have been the basis for previous verbal exceptions from G4 personnel on whom this Office must rely for official action in its procurement matters. This type action in the past has tended to weaken our working relations with the D/A.
- 3. It is also noted that the OPC letter was submitted on 12 February 1952, but that the intervening time up to the present date has been lost since no action has been taken on the requested procurement. It would appear that this time element alone makes it desirable to follow the procedure which is prescribed and acceptable to D/A, i.e.

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- 4. It is further noted that not only did the OPC letter fail to come to the attention of this Office, but presumably was not reviewed by Logistics Division nor is there any indication that the Comptroller's Office had obligated the necessary funds as required by Agency regulations.
- 5. It is recommended that OPC be advised to follow the procedures set forth in CIA Regulation Page 41 in all matters of Procurement.

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- 7. The matters set forth in Paragraph 3 of the subject letter which are referred to by D/A as being of "paramount importance" should be resolved prior to submission of a requisition and this Office advised thereof so that the desired information can be incorporated in the potential Letter Order.
- 8. Your consideration of the sensitive subject matter of the OPC letter of 12 February 1952 may indicate that it warrants the higher classification of "Top Secret". Document No. No Change In Class.

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